#### **CRIME SUPPRESSION SECTION**

# Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program (FSIA)

## **Program Description**

The Paul Coverdell program provides funding to eighteen crime laboratories throughout the state to improve the quality and timeliness of forensic services, reduce the number of backlogged forensic cases, and provide education and training programs for qualifying forensic scientists.

### **Eligibility**

The 18 Forensic Crime Laboratories throughout California

# **Authorized By**

Federal Public Law 103-62, 108-447 and 405 Section 311 (b)

# **Fund Source and Amount**

Federal Trust Fund - \$1,164,088

### **Grant Award Period**

January 1, 2008 - December 31, 2009

# **Next Competitive/Non Competitive Application Due Date**

Non competitive - Unknown

### **Additional Program Information**

Funding to the crime labs is based on the number of accredited scientists and qualifying staff. This formula is consistent with prior year processes, and in accordance with the recommendations of the California Association of Crime Lab Directors.

## Where Do I Get More Information?

This program is administered by the Crime Suppression Section of the Crime and Gangs Branch of the Law Enforcement and Victim Services Division of OES at (916) 327-5664.